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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 90

By Graves

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Graidon and Mabel McDole upon their receipt of the Westmoreland Chamber of Commerce Citizenship Award for 2001.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Graidon and Mabel McDole are two such estimable persons who have recently been honored with the Westmoreland's Chamber of Commerce Citizenship Award for 2001; and

WHEREAS, highly respected members of the Westmoreland community, the McDoles are being honored with a celebratory banquet held in their honor on March 10, 2001; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Westmoreland High School, Graidon McDole worked assiduously at General Shoe for several years, owned a grocery store, and later distributed gas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McDole was elected for two terms as Mayor, and also served Westmoreland as a City Councilman; throughout his tenure as a public official, he distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mabel McDole is an accomplished graduate of Gallatin High School and Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, for forty years, Mrs. McDole conscientiously and proficiently taught school and supported every civil project in progress within the community; and

WHEREAS, deeply dedicated to her family as a wife and mother, Mabel McDole made her home a beautiful haven; and

WHEREAS, Graidon and Mabel McDole's remarkable success as public servants and civic leaders is directly attributable to their reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. McDole are extremely giving individuals who often reach out with compassion to people who life has treated unkindly, and they epitomize the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Graidon and Mabel McDole are active and devout members of the United Methodist Church, which they have served faithfully on numerous committees; and

WHEREAS, Graidon McDole is the oldest member in attendance; over the years he has astutely served in many positions where he was responsible for the church's funds; and

WHEREAS, Mabel McDole selflessly taught Sunday School and joyfully lent her remarkable talents to the church choir for several years; and

WHEREAS, their many accomplishments aside, Graidon and Mabel McDole are fortunate to share both love and companionship with one another; they are the proud parents of their son, David; and

WHEREAS, Graidon and Mabel McDole have served with the greatest integrity and probity for many years in the acclaimed institutions of life: home, school, and church; and

WHEREAS, Graidon and Mabel McDole are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Graidon and Mabel McDole for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee and congratulate them on their receipt of the Westmoreland Chamber of Commerce Citizenship Award for 2001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.